

URGE WORK AT BRIDGE ON BRIDGE

Leading Citizens Before the Board of Estimate Ask that Plans for a Big Terminal Be Adopted to End Crush.

ONLY ONE VOICE RAISED AGAINST THE SCHEME.

Opposition Shown to Comptroller Grout's Suggestion that the Bridges Be Extended Across Broadway.

Discussion on the proposed site for a new court house set for to-day before the Board of Estimate and Apportionment was adjourned for a month as soon as the Board met, because the site favored by the majority of the committee takes up part of the land at Mulberry Bend which is included in the Mayor's scheme for the bridge terminal extension.

The next thing taken up was the hearing of the plan submitted by the Commissioner of Bridges for the reconstruction and enlargement of the Manhattan terminal of the Brooklyn Bridge. Large delegations were on hand to urge immediate action. Mayor McClellan called upon the favoring delegation presented to speak first and invited O. T. Nichols, the Chief Engineer of the Bridge Department, to explain the scheme. Mr. Nichols mentioned the advantages of a large terminal station on land to be acquired by the city.

"Would not three or four stations on or about Centre street answer the purpose at a much smaller cost?" asked President Littleton, of Brooklyn. "I think not," the engineer said. "You must remember that the City Hall station is the terminal of the three most important bridges in the city. I doubt if there would be any material saving in the cost."

Extension to Broadway. "Would not an extension of the bridges to Broadway solve the problem of avoiding the crowding at the terminals?" asked Comptroller Grout. "It might help a little," Mr. Nichols said, "but he would be a very brave man who would father a scheme to cross Broadway with an elevated structure."

"What do you estimate the cost of the terminal building you propose?" the Comptroller asked. "With the alterations to the bridge, the acquisition of the necessary land and a three-story office above giving 200,000 square feet of office space the cost would be about \$5,000,000."

"How much would it cost?" Mr. Littleton asked, "to build an elevated loop along Centre and Leavenworth streets connecting the two bridges, with five or six stations?"

"With stations like those in Brooklyn and the structure put up in the street I could build such a loop for \$2,000,000. That would not include the cost of damage to the streets."

Frederick W. Block presented a petition signed by business men of Manhattan and Brooklyn, asking for \$100,000 of business interests and urged the necessity of immediate relief from the conditions which prevail on the bridges.

Wants Pledges Fulfilled. "The vote in Brooklyn in the last election," Mr. Block said, "showed that we were not satisfied with the lack of fulfillment of the promises made by the last administration. Your Honor during the campaign promised us relief. We ask you to redeem that promise at once."

President McClellan, of the Manufacturers' Association, asked Mayor Scholeran said the time had come to do something and they hoped the administration would adopt the plan presented and get to work at them. Theodore L. Frothingham, of the Brooklyn League, spoke at length in favor of the scheme.

Mr. Grout asked each speaker his views of a system of bridges to distribute passengers to the West Side. Most of them believed an elevated loop extending from the route laid down by Mr. Nichols would be a boon to workers on the west side of Broadway. All insisted that the opposition to crossing Broadway would be great enough to deny the project some years.

One Voice in Opposition.

The Rev. Father Evers, of St. Andrew's, was the only one to respond when the Mayor called for voices in opposition. Father Evers claimed to speak as an expert on the grounds of having been graduated as a civil engineer from the University of Indiana. He objected to Mr. Evers's plan because of its expense and declared that the problem could be solved by a temporary extension into the street. He said that the bridge might be removed after the new bridges have divided the traffic and overcome the overcrowding of the present bridge. Then he said he had been assigned by the Council of the Archbishop and of the trustees of St. Andrew's to oppose against "his church being driven unmercifully from the district where it has done good service for many years."

The Mayor insisted that the proposed plans would not hurt the church, but the priest showed that his rectory would be taken, and proclaimed that the noise would stop his service. He asked the board to take no final action on the plans until the Archbishop can be heard in person.

That closed the hearing.

RAPID-TRANSIT EXPRESS.

O. S. Company Said to Be Negotiating with the Interborough.

It was reported in Wall street yesterday that the Interborough Rapid Transit Company and the United States Express Company were negotiating some kind of a contract by which the lines of the Rapid Transit Company shall be used for transporting express matter. At the office of the latter company it was said that no formal action had as yet been taken.

ODELL OFF TO WASHINGTON

Governor Will Stop Here and Re-view the Twelfth Regiment.

ALBANY, March 4.—Gov. Odell left for New York at 10:30 A. M. to-day. He will review the Twelfth Regiment to-night and go on to Washington to-morrow and expects also to see Senator Platt.

Are Your Eyes Tired?

A new medical authority has discovered that more than half the ill of the eye are due to tired eyes, and timely treatment is given in a well written book in each Sunday's World Magazine.

SHE WOULDN'T LET CROKER ESCAPE

Woman Whose Cab Was Injured by the Fire Chief Gave Chase to Him and Broke Through the Fire Lines.

Fire Chief Croker reached the ruins of the Hotel Darlington in his runabout to-day, closely pursued by a woman in a hansom cab with seven spokes out of the off wheel of the cab, Chief Croker drove through the fire lines, but the cab was halted by a policeman. The woman climbed out. She was plainly angry and bent upon something.

"I want to talk to that dark-complected man with the fedora hat," she said. "You can't get through the lines," replied a policeman.

"Oh, I can't," asked the woman, gathering her skirts about her ankles, and before the policeman knew it she had slipped by and was talking to Capt. "Tom" man.

"That man," she told Capt. Lantry, "drove into my cab at Fifth avenue and Forty-first street and almost ripped it wide off it. He was driving recklessly, and I might have been killed. He will have to pay for the damage to the cab."

"But that is Chief Croker, of the Fire Department," explained the Captain. "I don't care if it was Mayor McClellan or President Roosevelt," asserted the woman. "He has got to pay for the damage to my cab."

She was so insistent that Capt. Lantry took her down to the ruins where Chief Croker was looking at the work of rescue. He admitted that he had collided with her cab, but said that it was unavoidable and told her that she would have to make her application for damages through the Fire Department.

"I shall certainly do so," she said. "It is a nice thing if a woman on her way to the dressmaker can be run into by a Chief of the Fire Department and there wasn't even a fire."

The captain was Henry Patterson, of No. 33 West street. He would not tell the name of his persistent fare, who rode away to consult her dressmaker after she had learned how to go about collecting damages.

MONEY WASTED ON JURORS, SAYS JUDGE

Order for 150 Cut by Justice Truax, Who Insists that the City's Funds Are Paid Out Needlessly.

Justice Truax cut off fifty from District-Attorney Jerome's requisition for 150 special jurors today, declaring that to order 150 business men down to court when in all likelihood not twenty of them would be needed was putting them to unnecessary inconvenience and the county to an unnecessary expense.

Assistant District-Attorney Gray handed up the usual order for 150 special jurors to be signed by the Justice, and when asked why the call was for so many, explained that it was "simply the usual and customary order."

"I don't see the necessity," said the Justice. "The special jury panel is made up of exceptionally high-class men of attainment high enough to discuss cases of great importance. You get 150 business men—bankers, merchants, and lawyers—who are chosen to select perhaps only one trial jury. The last time the first twelve were out of the box were satisfactory and 128 men were excused. The county must pay each special juror \$2 and he is twice 128, which is \$256, practically wasted, besides the valuable time of these business men."

"I'll make it 100, and that's too many," said the Justice. "With this amendment he signed the order."

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IRISH VOLUNTEERS FINED.

Two Prevent Policeman from Making an Arrest.

Resident in blue uniforms trimmed with gold braid, James Cunningham, twenty-two years old, of No. 117 West Fifty-fourth street, and Joseph Mansfield, twenty-four years old, of No. 200 East Forty-eighth street, were arrested to-day before Magistrate Cornell in the West Side Court.

Patrolman Gibson, of the West Forty-

seventh street station, said the two prisoners, who said they were members of the Irish Volunteers, were returning with two young ladies from a ball, and interfered with him when he was trying to arrest a man for disorderly conduct at the corner of Eighth avenue and Forty-fourth street. Gibson said the two in uniform were giving him more of a tussle than the first stranger, so he let the latter go and arrested the two men. Each was fined \$5.

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